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First Named Inventor: KOROLIK et al.

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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))  
(Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-part application)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
Mikhail Korolik, John M. de Larios and Mike Ravkin

For: CONTROLS OF AMBIENT ENVIRONMENT DURING WAFER DRYING USING PROXIMITY HEAD

This application is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part  
of prior Application No.: 10/261,839, filed September 30, 2002 from which priority under 35 U.S.C.  
§120 is claimed; and

Application Elements:

- ☒ 31 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 08 Sheets of Informal Drawings
- ☒ 02 Pages of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
  - ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
    - ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional).  
The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is  
herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying  
application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
    - ☐ Deletion of inventors Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☒ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ Combined Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Establishing Right of Assignee to Take Action  
and Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest and Revocation of Prior Powers
  - ☐ Appendix A ☐ Appendix B ☐ Appendix C
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
  - ☒ PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations (Foreign References)
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*New claims numbered after highest original claim in prior  
application.*)
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☒ Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Extension of Time for Prior Pending Application

☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is being concurrently filed in the prior pending application. A copy of the Petition for Extension of Time is attached.

☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. *(At least one original independent claim must be retained.)*

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

	(Col. 1) NO. FILED	(Col. 2) NO. EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY RATE	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE
BASIC FEE			\$385	OR	\$770
TOTAL CLAIMS	32	-20 = 12	x09= \$	OR	x18 = \$216.00
INDEP CLAIMS	04	-03 = 01	x43 = \$	OR	x86 = \$ 86.00
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Presented			\$145= \$	OR	\$290 = \$
* If the difference in Col. 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2.			Total \$	OR	Total \$1,072.00

☒ Check No. 10759 in the amount of \$1,112.00 is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P467).

Request for Small Entity Status

☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status.

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0805.(Order No. LAM2P467)

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In re the application of	)	
KOROLIK et al.	)	Examiner: Unassigned
	)	
Application No. [To be assigned]	)	Art Unit: Unassigned
	)	
Filed: April 1, 2004	)	Docket No. LAM2P467
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REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).

Respectfully submitted,  
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